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MENDING A TOUGH OLD LAW.

the commission of the libel, but even though

the offense be done against their express in-

There may be said to be three classes of

possible libels; the accidental, the mali-

cious, and the mercantile. The first is

where, through negligence on the part of

writers for the press, some one is libeled.

Here there is no good reason for departing

from the usual rule holding employers re-

sponsible for the acts of their employes; but

be classed as accidental, so far as the pub-

on contingent fees. As a matter of fact,

Piftsburg, yet here, as in other places, the

need for judicious amendment of the libel

THE GROWTH OF NEWSPAPERS.

presentation of authenticated figures from

any source to the contrary. It is only

within the year ending next April that such

figures have been offered from our esteemed

young neighbors, the Press and Times; and

the evidence from those quarters would have

been chearfully recognized before now but

was necessary to see whether the growth of

older established and higher priced co-

viously. THE DISPATCH has also during

the experience of all the older city journals.

Under the circumstances we can well say:

"May they all live long and prosper!"

these new, and in no sense competitive, as- the finding, but produces curious specula-

interesting experiences on the subject.

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INGALLS VS. INGERSOLL.

"In the democracy of death all men, at least

are equal. There is neither rank, nor station, nor prerogative in the republic of the grave.

At that fatal threshold the philosopher ceases to be wise, and the song of the poet is silent

At that fatal threshold Dives relinquishes his millions and Lazarus his rags. The poor man

tues we commemorate to-day, was a man whom Plutarch might have described as Vandyke

portrayed, massive, rugged and robust, in mo

[NEW YORK BUREAU SPECIALS.]

-An Oxford county, Me., clergyman

point of the United States, Alton Islands the westermost, Point Bacrows the northermos

ture took place at Portland, Ind., last week, Hiram Clem, of Harrison, Mo., and Lucy Mil-

-A pretty married woman living near world of. She milks the cow herself, as she does not want her spoiled by endless attention.

-At one of the meetings of the British Association, a paper was read on a plan of rais-ing large stones for the purpose of building huge masses of masonry, and which was supposed to be the means employed in building the pyramids, although the precise method ted by the mighty builders of the Valle

FUNNY MEN'S PANCIES.

(looking over the paper)—Cheap, Drugg & Co. are seiling all sorts of patent medicines at half price. Mrs. Winks—Just our luck. There isn't any-thing the matter with any of us.—Seto York "A thousand dollars for that little pic-

An Unfailing Sign.-Miss Westend-And can you always judge of a man's character by

the way he laughs?

Social Philosopher-Oh, no: not by the way he laughs, but by what he laughs at - New York

Rinkle (glancing at a book of Latin an-

iquities)-What regular old topers the Romans Pinkle-What gave you that idea? Didn't know they were particularly intemperate.

Rinkle-Why, at the threshold of every Roman's

The soldier soldiers for his fame; The hunter hunts to catch his game;

The preacher preaches well and long: The singer sings her high-priced song: The driver drives his cart all day; The cierk he cierks for weekly pay;

"You have charge of my mother-in-law's neral, have you not?"
"Yes, sir," replied Mr. Mould, "What's the price of the carriages?

beautiful thinese pageda with a lovely lake around it, and water lilies and swains. Pretty

THE WEATHER.

The ground hog roosteth high in his hol Outside there's storm and snow; The ground hog does not care a cuas-He says, "I told you so."

Sunday issue can be similarly authenticated | that they are able to change the bands of in detail if required.

It is needless to add that we tender to the Press and to all of our esteemed cotem- cite coal business; but it is rather difficult poraries the usual assurances of our most to see how the report of the committee makes ESTABLISHED FEBRUARY & 1846 distinguished consideration, and wish to any material progress in the direction of a each in its field, and with its own cod- reformation. stituency, a full measure of the abundant Business Office -- 97 and 99 Fifth Avenue. success which THE DISPATCH has always News Rooms and Publishing House-- 75, enjoyed for itself, and which it never possessed more than now.

ESTIMATES AND APPROPRIATIONS.

The statement made public yesterday that the receipts of the City Treasury for 27.946 1888 fell about \$159,000 below the estimates, hardly seems to have the significance which Copies per issue. Average circulation of the Sunday edition is attached to it in some quarters. The falling off is not difficult to explain. Two leadof The Disputch for February, 1889. ing items in the published statement more 45.144 than cover it.

The receipts from liquor licenses were \$55,000 below the estimate, which loss the city can well afford to pocket, in view of improved condition of affairs in connec tion with the retail liquor trade; while the fact that receipts for city taxes are nearly \$170,000 less than the estimates indicates an accumulation of delinquent taxes which instead of being a deficit to be made up by taxation will be a source of revenue in the next two years. The drift in this direction is shown by the fact that the payments of outstanding taxes last year 15 cents per week, or including the Sunday edition, at 20 cents per week. went \$60,000 in excess of the receipts. When the changes in these three items are balanced, it will be seen that the deficiency be-PITTSBURG, TUESDAY, FEB. 26, 1889. low the estimates is more than accounted

It is not very accurate reasoning which At Harrisburg to-day the newspaper pubcan make this showing the excuse for larger lishers of Pennsylvania hold an annual reappropriations and an increased tax levy. union, at which, among other things, they If the deficiency were anything serious, it will consider Mr. Fow's proposed new law would rather indicate the need of greater of libel for this State. So often have the economy in appropriations to meet the exipeculiar hardships of the existing law been gency of decreasing revenues. But the fact described to the public that it would be is that it is not serious. The city can well waste of time to go over them again in this afford to pay the taxes necessary for doing connection. The worst feature, because the public business well; and it did so last without a parallel in criminal jurispruyear. The public is well advised of the dence, is that publishers are liable to crimfact that the appropriations of 1888 were inal prosecution, even where they not only made on a very liberal scale, and it will not have no personal knowledge before hand of expect them to be enlarged.

Councils will do their duty in revising the appropriations of last year by cutting them down wherever experience has shown that they are profuse and by levving the tax necessary to meet that requirement. If that is done, a twelve-mill levy will probably be found sufficient and we doubt if eleven-mills would not prove adequate for the necessities of economical government.

A PRESIDENTAL EMERGENCY.

it is hard to presume malice where none ac-One of the things we are never likely to tually existed. In any event it is out of know is the subject of General Harrison's all reason in severity to pursue a publisher dreams last night and this morning. It criminally for an act of an employe, who in would be interesting to know the general nine cases out of ten sins against instrucplot of his unconscious cerebration as the tions when he pens a libel. As for the libel most perfect railroad car in existence carries done in malice, or libels written recklesshim speedily on to the Capital of the naly to make papers sell, we do not think any tion he has been chosen to lead. We are honest, right-minded publisher wants to presuming that he will dream. The obabate one iota of the severity of the law servation of many travelers has been that against them. But there is a broad distincnothing under the sun, or more approprition between the latter and those which may ately, the moon, is so conducive to exciting and sensational travels in dreamas the rock - bound pillow land There is another amendment agitated in and adamantine couch in a sleeper. Perhaps some quarters, one against lawyers who the bed of the President-elect will not take libel suits of the first mentioned sort partake of these popular characteristics; perhaps the mattress will be a soft and level just as there are newspapers which will plain devoid of mountain scenery, and the never willfully or knowingly publish a pillow as soft and yielding as an office-seeker libel, meaning thereby that which is

is not. We hope that it will be so. false, malicious, untrue or reckless, or But if the President-elect meets a nightwantonly designed to injure character, so mare after his eyelids close, if he imagines there are lawyers who will not prosecute for instance that all the unsuccessful candinecidental libels unless reasonable reparadates for the Cabinet are entwining each tion is first refused. This class is growing. his prehensile finger in the Presidental It is to be doubted whether the Legislature button-hole, if he wakes up with a bloodwill discriminate between contingent fees in shot eve, a parched mouth and a feverish libel and contingent fees in other cases, but it is to be presumed that the Legislature to be hoped that someone will have the will pass a just and reasonable law on the presence of mind to summon one of the travelers in the beautiful car "Iolanthe." Nowhere are newspapers, as a rule Among the select coterie of newspaper corconducted with more conservative regard respondents in that car surely the material for the rights of private citizens than in

and the maker of a cocktail can be found. ENTURS WAY COME OUT

law is felt. The Pittsburg delegation in to-day's convention, of which Mr. Byram is Mr. Dravo expresses his doubt whether Quay and Rutan are at odds so much as Chairman, can no doubt contribute some has been intimated, as will be seen by an interview published in another column This is not inconsistent with the report given by THE DISPATCH'S Harrisburg Our evening neighbor, the Press, puts correspondent, which indicated that the THE DISPATCH under obligations by refight was not that of Quay against Rutan, minding it that the claim of this journal to but that of Delamater, Andrews and Boyer "double the circulation of any paper outagainst the Allegheny Senator. Putting side of Philadelphia" is no longer tenable the two reports together it is quite possible since the recent growth of our one-cent coto develop a theory that the tacital Matthew temporaries, to which class our neighbor be-Stanley is keeping his hands off for the exlongs. Coming at a time when THE DISpress purpose of letting his rather bump-PATCH circulation is at its largest, this sugtious lieutenants make their own record. gestion can be accepted not only with exwith an indefinite prescience that the record cellent grace, but with perfect good humor. will not be one of triumph. It appears, at It is true that penny papers were not conall events, to be developing into a very templated, or even in existence, when the pretty fight, with possibilities that the constatement was framed; but it is equally true testants do not foresee. There is a suspicion that it has been all the time subject to withof cold steel in the political atmosphere drawal or the necessary modification on the that is highly interesting to the outsiders.

REPORT ON THE ANTHRACITE COMBINE The report of the House Committee which investigated the anthracite coal combination over a year ago appears at a time when it is somewhat out of date. So long an interval between the investigation and for the good and sufficient reason that it

report not only damages the pertinence of

tions as to the cause of the delay. pirants to public favor had staying qualities before taking them into account as The statements of the report with regard factors in any sort of comparison with their to the combination by which the anthrscite industry is dominated, the production restricted and independent operators frozen temporaries, whose circulation has in every out, are but the repetition of what has been instance proved steady, regular and permashown for many years, to the satisfaction of However, its one-cent cotemporaries have all who cared to inquire into the subject. flourished; and THE DISPATCH can say Mr. Tillman, to a certain extent, makes without the slightest affectation, that it is good his promise of holding up Pennsylsincerely glad of it. While they have been vanua to the roprobation of the country, by making new fields for themselves, getting showing that this State does not enforce its thousands to read who did not read pre own constitutional provisions against the abuses which produce the anthracite coal the same period added thousands to those it combination; and it is due to the good luck had before; and similar growth, differing rather than the deserts of our legislators that the report does add to its statements perhaps only in degree, has no doubt been the fact that the Legislature now in session has refused to pass a bill enforcing the

separation of the carrying business from

mining and manufacturing, as required in

· In place, therefore, of the comparison which seems to touch somewhat the sus- the Constitution. The committee's recommendation of a naceptibilities of our young cotemporaries, as to whom it was not originally meant, THE | tional remedy in the shape of a removal of DISPATCH gives at the head of its columns | the duty on coal is made very questionable the exact figures of its own circulation, un- from the fact that the protection afforded precedented in its history. They show for the anthracite coal combination by the duty the daily edition an average per issue, for of 75 per cent on bituminous coal is indirect the six months ending February 1, 1889, of at the best. If the duty were as directly on over 27,900, and an average for the Sunday the product of the monopoly, as is the case issue during February of over 45,000. The with regard to sugar, the recommendation latter does not include extras on two would have a good deal more force. But as issues sent to agents to meet the special de- it is, the removal of the duty would hit the mand for the opening of Joaquin Miller's bituminous coal interests, in which there story, the accounts of sales for which are are, at the most, only local combinations, not yet fully in; but represents the actual a good deal harder than it would the anorders for the average special edition before | thracite combine. It is true that the fashion going to press and the supplemental news- of combines has led the bituminous coal

Orion and draw out Leviathan with a hook. There is plenty to reform in the anthra-

GLADSTONE MAY COME.

An indefinite intimation that Mr. Gladstone may possibly visit the United States has been published in the shape of a reply to an invitation by the Union League of Chicago to speak at the Washington inauguration centennial, saying that "he will carefully consider the request in connection with others received from America." This is not going very far, but as all previous replies to invitations of this sort have contained a declaration of the improbability of his coming to America it seems to indicate progress in this direction. If Mr. Gladstone should be induced to visit this country by the invitation of Chicago, it would have the drawback of making that city more insufferably conceited than ever. But even that alloy would be forgotten in the public enthusiasm over a chance to show the great English leader what this country thinks of him. The reception of Gladstone would be equal to anything done by this nation in the way of honoring a foreigner since the welcome to Lafayette.

MR. BLAINE'S resignation of the position of delegate for Maine at the Centennial of the Washington inauguration is a gentle notification to the country that Mr. Blaine will be deeply occupied with diplomatic affairs about that time.

WOMAN suffrage seems to be gaining in Ohio when a constitutional amendment in its favor passes the Legislature by a majority vote, though lacking the necessary two-thirds to make it effective. Possibly, however, some of the astute Buckeye lawmakers voted for the resolution under stress of domestic influence with the saving knowledge that their votes would not carry the measure.

PATTI as the attraction for opening the Chicago auditorium next fall is another defeat for German operatic school. Chicago never fails to get even with Germany for its unjustifiable warfare on the American

THE fact that the actual receipts of the City Treasury last year, were \$159,000 below the estimates, does not afford a valid reason for increasing the appropriations by \$950 000 There seems to be an idea among the departments that this is the logic of the showing; but it is a decided non sequitur, When receipts fall below estimates a very pertinent remedy is to cut down the appro-

MESSES, JOSEPH BLACKBURN and William Chandler are respectfully urged to ponder the principle stated by Truthful

"That it's not the proper plan For any scientific gent to whale his fellow-man."

MILLIONAIRES CRUGER, ASTOR AND GOELET get \$1,000 a year each for attending the directors' meeting of the Illinois Central, and \$2,000 if they have to go to Chicago. The premium which is required in case a New York millionaire goes to Chicago is vet to be explained by the esteemed directors of the Western metropolis.

IF on future celebrations of Washington's Birthday the Hon. William Chandler feels his ear tingle he will be able to remember that it is not because some one is saying sweet things of him in his absence.

A BUFFALO poet has given birth to some ardent verses addressed "To an Abstract Buffalo Girl." Perhaps a poet may pardoned for seeking an abstract girl in Buffalo, as the inspiration of poetry; but in this locality the concrete and material Pittsburg girl is enough to make any poet wake up and do his utmost.

THE example of Ives and Stayner as Napoleons of finance demonstrates that these conquerors must steer clear of defeat in their financial campaigns, if they would keep out of jail.

THE Chicago fox hunt which consists in dragging a fox around the boulevards and then going and filling up in honor of the oceasion, is a great success in that city. Pulling the fox about is not particularly attractive but as an excuse for inebriation it captivates the oleomargarine and cottonseed lard aristocracy.

THE result of the Pigott disclosures is apparent in the fact that people at London are actually beginning to doubt the Infallibility of the Times' Paris correspondent,

THE House of Representatives adds the finishing proof of its inability to attend to business, by ushering in its last week with filibustering, while the majority of the important things that it started out to do, two years ago, remain, as usual, undone,

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

CALVIN S. BRICE is said to resemble Generlanger in appearance. HERR KRUPP is evidently the richest man n Germany. He pays more income tax than any of his countrymen, contributing £6,480 yearly on an income of £219,000. Baron Willy de Rothschild, of Frankfort, stands second on the

THE Czar of Russia is growing so fat that he has become alarmed at his condition. He smokes a great deal and is always under a heavy nervous strain; but in spite of these flesh-reducing influences, he continues to in-crease in weight. He has been advised by his physicians to try the Banting system.

MME. MUTSU, wife of the Japanese Minister at Washington, is a brilliant woman who has gained full command of our language in a year. the devotes a great deal of time to social mat ters, but spends two hours every morning in translating a Japanese novel into English. Her translation will be the first of the kind ever made. Japanese fiction is said to be very readable, and Mme. Mutsu has chosen one of the best novels in the language for rendition into

M. PAUL DE CASSAGNAC, the well-known Bonapartist journalist is the most skillful of duelists, and, knowing that he can as a rule "pink" his man, he has all the courage of his nvictions. One of his good traits of characconvictions. One of his good traits of charac-ters is that he rarely allows political animosi-ties to interfere with the amenities of private life. Thus he and Henri Rochefort, of the *In-*transigeant, are on the friendliest terms, although they do not spare each other in their respective journals;

ME. WALTER ROTHSCHILD, Lord Rothschild's eldest son, who has just come of age, bids fair to become one of the leading authorities on natural history. He has utilized the enormous connections which the Roths-child house have all over the world in an original way. The correspondents, who are scat-tered abroad in every part of Europe, Asia, Africa and America, have received instructions to send home any interesting specimens of natural history which they may come across. The result is a unique collection of fauna of every description. Mr. Rothschild is a tall, rather boys' sales. The figures for the daily are verified under oath, as required by law, in the City Controller's office; those for the THE TOPICAL TALKER. THE LOCAL STAGE.

The Quiet Passage of President-Elect Harrison Through Pittsburg Rocalls Mem ories of His Grandfather's Visits to This City.

This City.
IT IS unlikely that any Pittsburger will see the President-elect as he passes through the city early this morning. The reporters will see the outside of the Pullman car in which General Harrison will probably be asleen, but even they will find it a very difficult job to procure a personal interview with the distinguished gen-If the world were say 48 years younger, would not be so easy for General Harrison

pass through Pittsburg without receiving an ovation and without making speeches in return. His grandfather found that out. There are a good many men living here to-day who can rember that more or less of a formal reception was given to the hero of Tippecanoe every time he passed through Pittsburg. His arrival was always a signal for enthusiasm, and the young men particularly vied with each other in showing respect to the great soldier.

It would be interest. It would be interesting to know how many times he actually trod or rode through the streets of old-time Pittsburg, but the records of his visits are not easy to find, and one must

after steamers appeared upon the Ohio-he always chose the route by way of Pittaburgby boat-and thence by the national pike. MR. REUBEN MILLER, JR., who in spite the affix is one of the fathers of this city and has seen more than 80 'tirthdays, remembers one of General William H. Harrison's visits to this city, which occurred either in 1819 or 1820. Prehably it was in 1819, at the close of General

be content to know that whenever he went East or was returning from there—at all events

Harrison's term in Congress, which he entered upon at the end of his military career. Mr. Miller was then in his father's boat store near the Monongahela wharf, and the visit of the greatest martial hero the country then had naturally left a deep-cut impression on his boyish mind. General Harrison and his party rode down to the levee, and waited there while two broadhorns were made ready for their re-ception. They were returning from Washing-ton and were dust-stained and tired with the long journey on horseback.

Beside General Harrison there were two dis-

tinguished statesmen in the party, to-wit, Henry Clay and John J. Crittenden, of Ken-tucky—the latter, it will be remembered, was afterward Attorney General in General Har-rison's Cabinet. There were two boats prepared for the statesmen, one for their own accommodation and one for that of their servants and horses. Mr. Miller remembers taking down the provisions for the voyage to the boat, and he has a very keen recollection of receiving 50 cents from Henry Clay himself.

ANOTHER of our venerable citizens, William Collingwood, who in spite of his 78 years, is in active business still on Fourth avenue, recalls a visit General Harrison made to Pittsburg during the campaign preceding his election to the Presidency. Mr. Collingwood says he was one of a number of young men who rode out to Wilkinsburg to meet General Harrison They formed quite a gallant band of cavalry and General Harrison was mightily pleased to be escorted by them into town. The campaign of "log cabins and hard cider" of "Tippecanoe and Tyler too," was at its height just then and the whole population left everything to catch a glimpse of the standard bearer of the Whigs. Other authorities in this city, whose memories run back to that hard-fought campaign assure me that they have no recollection of General Harrison coming here at the time Mr. Collingwood states, although they say that ex-Governor Tyler, the candidate for the Vice Presidency, certainly did visit Pittsburg in 1840 and spoke for the Whig ticket in Alle

All the same it is quite likely that Mr. Collingwood's memory has not played him false, and that General Harrison did come trotting campaigning bent.

THE last visit General Harrison made, when he was on his way to the White House, is re-membered well enough by hundreds of Pittsburgers. He came up on the packet from Cincinnati—packets by the way had not begun to run daily then—and Pittsburg stood on end until he had taken passage on another steamer to Brownsville. Thence he proceeded by stage over the national pike via Cumberland to Washington.

Some of the old-timers I talked to yesterday seemed to be under the impression that President Harrison's body was brought back from Washington, and carried through Pittsburg on its way to the Harrison homestead at North Bend, during the April on the fourth day of which he died. The exact date of this event does not appear in any of the histories accessible at this writing. I find, however, that his Cemetery at Washington, and that not until a few years later was it removed at the request of his family to North Bend, where it was placed

in a tomb overlooking the Ohio river.

The present monument at North Bend, which can be seen from the river, was raised quite re cently.

BUT if Pittsburg is not allowed to show he respect for the President-elect on this occasion her citizens assuredly harbor the desire and hope that the high office he is shortly to enter will not prove to be, as it was to his grand-father, nothing more than the ante-chamber to the tomb.

WRITES WITH HIS TAIL.

How Bolivar is Preparing for an Elephantine Slugging Match.

From the Philadelphia Record.] Bolivar, the big elephant, at the Zoological Garden, which, on Sunday last, was treated to panions. Empress and Jenny, has not yet had a chance for revenge, but Keeper Pendergast says he is laying a deep scheme, and is making all the preliminary arrangements for a terrible one. Ever since his plastering he has been sullen, and apparently in deep thought. Every movement on the part of his companions has

movement on the part of his companions has been closely watched by him. On the wall along side of him, which he coated with cement while trying to clean the stuff from his back before it became wet, he has been writing all the week. He stands with his hack to the wall, and with his tail makes a certain number of Hindoo words every day.

After completing his penmanship he draws the attention of his companions, and with his trunk points to the inscriptions. The keeper says it is the handwriting on the wall, and is a warning to Empress and Jenny to prepare for their fate. All the hair on the end of his tail has been worn off in writing the warnings, and Headkeeper Byrne says he certainly means it as a warning to his companions. Empress and Jenny have been chained all the week for the contemptible trick they played on Bolivar, and now they are enemies because Bolivar shows an inclination toward Empress. The enlargement of the elephant cage has been completed, and as soon as the plaster is dry they will all be unchained and have plenty of room for the slugging match which the keeper expects will take place.

TO BE WEDDED TO-MORROW.

A Rising Young Man and a Handsome Belle Forming a Union.

To-morrow evening a quiet wedding will take place in the Episcopal residence, on Grant street. The principals in the affair will be Mr. Stephen Foley and Miss Cora Fife. The be Mr. Stephen Foley and Miss Cora Fife. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. Father Graham in the presence of a small circle of the friends of the couple. Mr. Foley is one of the active members of the Randall Club, and was a candidate last year against the Hon. James Bulger for the nomination for Legislature from the Fourth district. The intended bride is a handsome belle and well known in society circles on the Hill.

An East End Card Party. Mrs. H. M. Byllesby, of North Hiland avenue, East End, entertained a number of her friends at her residence last night with a card party.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Cardinal Charles Sacconi.

Cardinal Charles Sacconi.

New York, February 25.—The correspondent of the Cathotic News, of this city, cables that Cardinal Charles Sacconi is dead. He was born at Montalto on May 8, 1898, and was created Cardinal September 27, 1891. He was one of the six suffragan bishops of the Roman pontiff, and the senior in rank of the Cardinals. Two weeks ago the second member of the Sacred College, in point of seniority, Cardinal John Baptiste Pitra, died.

Jacob Bison. CABLISLE, February 2s.—Jury Commissioner Jacob Bison died at his home, near Shiremanstown, last night, of Bright's disease. He was a shrewd Romeo and Juliet, Our Irish Visitors and The Eloquent Kansas Senator's Oratio Over the Late Representative Burnes Other Attractions. Margaret Mather is always sure of a cordial of Missouri-A Plain Reply to Some Utterances of the Great Infidel-A Grand Tribute to a Friend. WASHINGTON, February 25.—At 8 o'clock

welcome in Pittsburg. This was again proven by the unusually large audience that greeted her appearance at the Grand Opera House last night. If she was mortified because her auditthis afternoon a message was received by the Senate from the House, announcing the death of Mr. Burnes, of Missouri, on the 24th of January last. Mr. Cockerell offered resolutions that the Secretary ors did not exhibit more enthusiasm we would ors did not exhibit more enthusiasm we would respectfully remind her and her manager that the day when it could be said that anything would suit Pittsburgers has long since gone by. A Shakespearian drama, so staged that a that the Senate has received, with profe sorrow, the announcement of Mr. Burnes death, and tenders to his family the assurance part of the same setting is made to do duty fo three different acts, is not exactly the sort of entertainment which the people of this city go wild over. That was the situation last night. of sympathy in its sad bereavement; that the business of the Senate be suspended, so that opportunity may be given for fitting tributes to the memory of the deceased and to his emi-One example of how the scenery fitted the play will suffice. In the first act, the second nent public and private virtues; and that, at the conclusion of such remarks, the Senate, as a further mark of respect, adjourn. Mr. Cock-crell reviewed the life and character of Mr. scene, which, according to Shakespeare, should represent a street in Verona, showed a peagreen millpond, with Pennsylvania farm houses in the foreground, back of it some impossible mountains, and over all, sunset crell reviewed the life and character of Mr. Burnes, and was followed by Mr. Ingalls, who commenced by saying: "These are the culminating hours of the closing scenes in the drama of our national life. When this day week returns one political party will relinquish and another assume the executive functions of government. On every hand are visible the preparations to 'welcome the coming and speed the parting guest.' clouds of bright red, gorgeous yellow and dark, grassy hues, that were marvels to behold. The company brought no scenery whatever, so the best that could be done was to improvise from the stock on hand at the Opera House. It is scarcely necessary to state that the result was anything but satisfactery. The whole was in strange contrast to the exquisite stage setting of "Romeo and Juliet" when Miss Mather appeared in that play in this city at the Bijou.

Miss Mather herself is as delightful as ever. Her Juliet is graceful, intelligent, impassioned. The balcony seene was as pretty as it well could be, considering the disadvantages of the inadequate scenety. The fact that Romeo seemed to possess but one suit of clothes, and that those garments were in anything but perfect repair, detracted somewhat from the impression Mr. Charles Hagar might otherwise have made as Juliet's lover. He has a good voice and speaks and acts well, but his Hibernian countenance and his athletic physique serve to make him anything but the ideal Romeo. One couldn't help thinking all along that the lovely Juliet should have exhibited better judgment in choosing a husband. Mr. J. B. Studley played Morcutio fairly well, though there was an absence of animation in his work that was quite noticeable at times. anything but satisfactery. The whole was in "'Events of great pith and moment' are awaiting on the event of the brief interval.
While pleasure wanders restlessly through the
corridors of the Capitol, hope and fear, ambition, supidity and revenge sit in the galleries or stand at the gates, eager (like the dying or stand at the gates, eager (like the dying Elizabeth) to exchange millions of money for that inch of time on which success or failure, wealth or penury, honor or obliquy, depend. At this crisis and juncture, when every instant is priceless, the Senate, resisting every inducement and solicitation, proceeds by unanimous consent to consider resolutions of the highest privilege, reported from no committee, having no place on any calendar, but which takes precedence of 'unfinished business' and 'special orders,' on which the yeas and nays are never called, and on which no negative vote has ever been recorded—and reverently pauses, in obedience to the holiest impulses of human nature, to contemplate the profoundest mystery of human destiny, the mystery of death. his work that was quite noticeable at times. The rest of the cast could be vastly improved upon. Miss Mather deserves, and should have, a better company.

The entire seven acts were given. To-night

"Our Irish Visitors," with their rollicking fun, bright music and dances, both graceful and grotesque, amused a fairly large audience at the Bijou Theater last night. Everybody knows the comedy, and is aware that it contains more humor than refinement, yet it still has power to please all who enjoy hearty laughter and are not especially particular what kind of tricks are used to excite their mirth. Thomas E. Murray, as Colonel Gilhooly, was irresistibly funny. He couldn't walk, speak or even turn around without making himself the laughing stock of his audience. And as that is the very thing he aimed to do, he ought to be satisfied with the hearty reception given him. Probably he is. His partner in the mirthmakine, Mark Murphy, was aimost equally amusing, as Jerry McGinnis. Mr. Charles W. Young, the tall, spare young man, who assumes the part of Sammy Tupper, is again with the company, and makes a capital dude. Miss Blanche Seymour, a pretty and sprightly little soubrette, was very pleasing as Dorothy. She She is a capital dancer. The rest of the cast was fully up the requirements of the piece. Thomas E. Murray, as Colonet Gilhooly, was sac sapinal dancer. The rest of the cast was fully up the requirements of the piece. Several new songs and jokes have been introduced, while those that have done duty for years are still retained. "Our Irish Visitors" are sure to delight those who like a variety performance with a good deal of fun in it.

"Packed to the doors" was the word at both performances at this popular house yesterday. Large as the audiences here always are, none Large as the audiences here always are, none were ever larger than those of yesterday, and both were well pleased. "True Irish Hearts," a pretty drama with the regulation "Colleen," a jolly "Shaugraun" and the never-failing vil-lainous landlord and his satellite, who doesn't stop at murder, intrigue or any crime to gair his master's good will and carn his employer's money—they are all there. The company por-traying "True Irish Hearts" is a good one and ery is particularly worthy of mention, ly "Killarney by Moonlight" and the

Academy of Music.

Gus Hill's World of Novelties is too well known in Pittsburg to call for any lengthy recommendation here. It is one of the best or the road, not because of any supereminent abil-ity in one or two stars, but for the reason that there is really not a stick of dead wood among the score of artists who take part in the pro-gramme.

Casino Museum.

This cozy theater was well patronized all day vesterday, and it is needless to say that th patrons of Mr. O'Brien's house got the worth of their money back. Andy Sweitzer with his smile, still remains, and Walter Stewart gives his history in great style. An excellent variety show is also given.

A COLLECTION OF MASTERS.

Some Notable Pictures That Were Yesterday Put on Exhibition at Gillespie's. A very fine collection of costly paintings was opened at Gillespie's Art Gallery, on Wood street, yesterday by Mr. S. Collins, of New York. Without making invidious comparisons, it is supposed to be the choicest collection of its size, if not indeed absolutely, ever shown in Pittsburg, the list containing names of grea listinction which were not represented in this city by any work previously, and the prices, it is needless to say, fairly corresponding.

Among the eminent artists noticed on the catalogue are Jules Breton, Van Marque, Rousseau, Vibert, Corot, Diaz, Pelouse, Hacquette others equally known to fame. The highest-priced picture in the collection is a comparatively diminutive, but very expressive, canvas, "St. John's Eve, Jules Breton, for which \$12,500 i figure. One of the most attractive is marine picture by Hacquette, showing the handling of a small boat by French fishermen in a heavy sea. Everything looks very real about it, and great admiration was expressed for it by a number of visitors yester day. The pastoral scene by the celebrated animal painter, Van Marque, was also very at-tractive. Beside, there are several by eminent

artists which were exhibited with success at the Paris Solon of last year. The taste for fine art is undoubtedly growing in Pittsburg, though it is understood that the purchases here have seldom hitherto been of such costly pictures as the principal ones exhibited in the present collection. There are, however, others in the collection, also very attractive, at considerably lower prices. The ccasion is one that will make Gillespie's ar interesting place to visit during the week, as, whether people are able to buy or not, it is always a delight to see really fine paintings. That for some of these works is hardly to be doubted, as, in not a few instances, they are at tractive enough to charm purse-strings quick-

Judga Abolished.

From the New York Sun.1 Judas has been officially abolished in the island of Maderia. It has been a time-honored custom of the natives to exhibit in one of their numerous religious processions an effigy of Judas, upon which the opprobrium of the populace was duly heaped, and at the close of the day Judas was burned with vociferous expressions of triumph and joy. Of late years it has happened that the effigy of Judas has borne a striking resemblance to some person upon whom the general public had ceased to smile, and thus the Governor of the island, the Mayor of Funchal, and a foreign Consul have been caricatured in the processions and burned in fligy. The powers that be have decided that the admixture of politics and religion is not that hereafter the people must get along with-

The American Horse. From the New York World.

The American trotting horse continues to as sert himself over all other equine not Last week a total of 469 head was sold at Lexington for \$180,171. The sales this week foot up 393 head for a total of \$277,700, the 4-year-old up see nead for a total of \$277,700, the 4-year-old colt, Bell Boy, realfring \$51,000. The private sales this week include, among the Califor-nians, Stamboul at \$50,000, and of the Ken-tuckians, Edgemark at \$16,000, with \$46,000 re-

Only a Slight Difference. From the Dayton (O.) Democrat.? The names North Dakota and South Dakots do not mean much. A man freezes to death in North Dakota only three minutes sooner than he congeals in South Dakota.

of negation must accept at last. Such is the felicity of those degrading precepts which make the epitaph the end. If the life of Burnes is as a taper that is burned out, then we treasure his memory and his example in vain. And the latest prayer of his departing spirit has no more sanctity to those who soon or late must follow him than the whisper of winds that six the leaves of the protesting forest or

Eulogies were also pronounced by Senators Voorhees, Hale, Hampton, Cook and Vest, the Voornees, Haie, Hampton, Cook and Vest, the latter suggesting as a fitting epitaph: "Here lies one much loved, much hated, but never despised by friend or foe." The resolutions were adopted unanimously and the Senate ad-

NO NEED OF ANY HURRY. Official Malls From Samoa Contain Nothing

Not Already Published. WASHINGTON, February 25.-The State and Navy Departments have received the mails from Samoa brought by the Mariposa, which arrived at San Francisco about ten days ago.
Assistant Secretary Rives said to-day there was really nothing in the dispatches received from the United States Consui at Apia that had not the United States Consul at Apia that had not already appeared in the newspapers. They re-lated to occurrences which have already been described by Klein and the other passengers on the Mariposa, which accounts were telegraphed all over the country from San Francisco at the

time.

Mr. Rives said that while the correspondence would eventually be forwarded to Congress, there was nothing in it that called for specially

TOO COLD FOR POLAR BEARS.

One of Them Freezes Fast to His Iron Cage in the Zoo. PHILADELPHIA, February 25.-Snowflake the Polar bear at the Zoo, got into a bad scrape yesterday. As the keeper was making his rounds yesterday on coming to the pit where Mr. and Mrs. Snowflake are confined, he saw that the larger bear was frozen fast to the iron

Every morning both of the animals climb up the railing and look for their keeper. After breaking the ice on their pond yesterday and taking a swim they climbed up as usual, but the long hair on Mr. Snowflake's front paw became wrapped around the iron bar and froze making it impossible for him to get down. In this position he was found, but a little hot released him, and after breakfast he was

CURIOUS EPITAPHS. Some of the Queer Things Found on English Tombstones.

From the Newcastle (Eng.) Chronicle.] The following, found in Hamersfield Church-yard, Suffolk, is the epitaph on Robert Cryroft, ob. 1810, set. 90. As I walk'd by myself, I talked to myself,

And thus myself said to me: Look to thyself, and take care of thyself, For nobody cares for thee. So I turned to myself and I answered myself. In the selfsame reverie: Look to myself, or look not to myself, The selfsame thing will it be. The following is upon Joseph Blacket, poend shoemaker, of Seaham, ob. 1810:

The Souls of learning and of leather. Poor Joe is gone, but left his all-You'll find his relies in a stall. His works were neat and often found Well stitched, and with morocco bound. Tread lightly where the bard is laid— Yet he is happy in his hole, With verse immortal as his sole; But still to business he held fast, And stuck to Phæbus to the last. Then, who shall say so good a fellow Was only leather and prunella? For character—he did not lack it, And if he did—'twere shame to Black it!

Strange! behold, interred together,

BEFORE AND AFTER. I,-BEFORE MARRIAGE,

His heart o'erflows with happiness, And an eestatic thrill Runs through his very being, as He hears her sweet "I will,"

> II. -APTER MARRIAGE. Alas! his heart is heavy now,
> The world seems dack and chill.
> The second time in life he's met
> A fragile woman's will,

NEW YORK, February 25.—The negotiations for the sale of Frank Leslie's Illustrated

for the sale of Frank Lesiic's Illustrated Newspaper were completed to-day. William J. Arkell, of Judge, secures the paper for \$400,000-\$500,000 for the English edition and \$100,000 for the German edition. The formal transfer will take place May 1. On that date Mrs. Leslie will move her other periodicals to the Judge building, so that the two papers sold will still be issued from the same building as her other other publications. Mrs. Leslie her other other publications. Mrs. Leslie says the height of her ambition is to run a big daily newspaper. "I sincerely hope," she says, "and in fact expect, to own and edit one some day. And I don't think it is so very far off, either.'

On Trial for Killing Her Children.

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The trial of Mrs. Lebkuchner for the murder of her two children was called to-day. The story is a simple one. The woman was left a widow with three young children. She couldn't earn enough for their support. She saw them literally starving before her eyes. With her last few cents she bought a dose of poison and poisoned all three. Two died almost immediately, but the other lingered. She sat for two days with the dead bodies, waiting for the third child to die. Then she notified the police. The living child was taken to the hospital, and eventually recovered. The woman acknowledges her crime. She does not seem to be insane; she says she killed the children bebe insane; she says she killed the children be-cause it was better they should die at once than slowly starve to death. The trial went over till to-morrow, so that expert testimony might be

Hiram Van Dusen, a grocer's clerk, claim that he hasn't eaten anything for 65 days. Naturally he found his way to a dime museum. He began his engagement to-day. He says he will fast for 40 days more, and then claim the fasting championship. An alleged watch is guarding him all the time to see that he swallows nothing but water.

Coming in by the Thousand. The spring influx of Castle Garden immigrants has already begun. Four steamships landed nearly 1,000 prospective citizens to-day.

Two Duden Starched Up. Some mischievous boys annoyed Hen Lee, a prosperous laundryman at 56 Grand street, Mr. Lee rusned out with a basin of liquid starch and threw it at his tormentors. Two dudes named Leonard Dupold and John Heller were passing at the moment, and they chanced to get some of the starch on their clothes. They had Hen arrested. He compromised this afternoon by paying them \$40 each.

millions and Lazarus his rags. The poor man is as rich as the richest and the rich man is as poor as the pauper. The creditor loses his usury and the debtor is acquitted of his obligation. The proud man surrenders his dignity, the politician his honor, the worldling his pleasures. Here the invalid needs no physician, and the laborer rests from unrequited toil. There, at least, is nature's final decree in equity. The irony of fate is renewed. Wrongs of time are redressed. The unequaled distribution of wealth, of honor, capacity, pleasure and opportunity, which make life so cruel and inexplicable a tragedy, cease in the realm of death. The mightiest captain succumbe to that invincible adversary, who disarms alike the victor and the vanquished. Sing Sing Citizens Split Up. The residents of Sing Sing village are considerably stirred up over a proposed bill in the Legislature asking that the Sing Sing Peniten-State. The leading business men and property holders are sirculating petitions in favor of the bill; they hold the famous prison is a stigma upon the name of the village. The smaller shopkeepers and less pretentious citizens, how-ever, are in favor of keeping the prison right where it is, because it adds to the circulation of money in the district. Petitions on one side or the other are found in every store in the

How They Find the Precious Stones in the

portayed, massive, rugged and robust, in motion slow, in speech serious and deliberate,
grave in aspect, serious in demeanon of antique and heroic mold, the incarnation of force.
As I looked for the last time upon that countenance, from which (for the first time in so many
years) no giance of friendly recognition nor
word of welcome came, I reflected upon the
impenetrable and insoluble mystery of death.
But, if death be the end, if that life of Burnes'
terminated upon 'this bank and shoal of time,'
no morning is to dawn upon the night in which
he sleeps, then sorrow has no consolation, and
this impressive and solemn ceremony which we
observe to-day has no more significance than
the painted pageant of a stage. If the existence of Burnes was but a troubled dream, his
death oblivion, what avails it that the Senate
should pause to recount his virtues? Neither
veneration nor reverence are due the dead if
they are but dust; no cenotaph should be reared
to preserve for posterity the memory of their
achievements if those who come atter them
are to be only their successors in annihilation
and extinction. If in this world only we have
hope and consciousness, duty must be a
chimera; our pleasures and our passions should
be the guides of conduct, and virtue is indeed
a superstition, if life ends at the grave. Great Mines of Burmah. It is reported from London that the Roth-schilds are about to organize a company to work the great ruby mines of Burmah. This little patch of earth, having an area of only 50 square miles, was the one spot in his dominions which King Thebaw would never permit a white man to approach. Even under the rude native system of mining, Thebaw derived an income of \$100,000 a year from the mines. After the fall of Mandalay, Indian troops were sent 100 miles north of that capital to take posses-sion of the ruby district, which has since been leased to native miners, the income being used to help defray the cost of the British occu-

There have been loud complaints that the Government lost a chance to derive a large revenue from the mines when it declined Lord Dufferin's proposal to lease them to a syndi-cate. If the Kothschilds have now got a foothold there, it is certain that the new rulers of Burmah expect to make a good thing by grant-

nah are yet to be ascertained. We know that the largest ruby ever found there was escorted from the King's palace to the river, on its way to Europe, by a military guard, and that it was sold in London for \$100,000. The gems lie in a thin stratum from 10 to 30 feet below the surface, and when this earth is lifted in rude buckets and spread on the ground myriads of small rubies glisten in the sun. Most of them are too small to be of value, and are thrust aside in eager search for larger stones. Com-paratively few rubies are found that, in color, size and freedom from flaws, answer all the requirements of a first-class gem. But when such a stone is discovered, it is a treasure; and experts tell us that a three-carat ruby of the best quality is worth eight to ten times as much as the finest diamond of the same weight. Most of the marketable Burmese rubies are imperfect, but they are among the finest in the world; indeed, we are told by dealers that large rubies of perfect color and flawless are almost

About 1,200 laborers are now engaged in the around these gem-laden hills to do the heavy work of mining. No machinery whatever is employed, and only the most primitive mothds of mining are seen. Western energy, capital and appliances will soon make a ch

THE INAUGURATION FESTIVITIES Checking the Denlings in Stocks, and No

Advance Expected. ctal Telegram to The Dispatch. NEW YORK, February 25 .- Henry Clews & Co. say to-day: Dealings in stocks were somewhat checked by the intervention of a holiday. and for the next week or two excitement a tending the inauguration ceremonies will tend to further restrict transactions. We may also to further restrict transactions. We may also look forward to a hardening tendency in rates for money; and gold threatens to move outward in the absence of commercial bills.

What the direction of manipulation is likely to be, it is impossible to forecast, except that the market is so situated that no important decline is likely to be permitted unless for the purpose of acquiring stocks. The natural conditions, however, hardly favor an advance at this time, and purchases on the long side should be made with greater caution until the general situation appears more favorable to an upward movement.

PITTSBURG'S TURN NEXT.

Magnificent Public Park is the Surprise Given to Williamsport. special Telegram to The Dispatch.

WILLIAMSPORT, February 25.-News was received here to-day that A. Boyd Cummings, Esq., of Philadelphia, had donated to the city of Williamsport a valuable plot of land, consisting of nearly 50 acres, to be used as a public park. The land is situated upon one o

park. The land is situated upon one of the most elevated points near the middle of the city, and is valued at about \$80,000. The deed for this valuable property was received to-day, but has not yet been filed for record. Mr. Cummings is a native of Williamsport, but has long been a resident of Philadelphia.

For some time the city has been agitating the question of purchasing a public park, but this donation comes just at a time when the people are worked up on the question. Speculators have been after the land for years, owing to its desirable location for building purposes, but Mr. Cummings steadfastly retained it until now it is nearly surrounded by dwellings. The good news is not generally known to night, and the publication of it to-morrow will cause a great sensation. According to the deed, the name Brandon Park is given in honor of a deceased sister of Mr. Cummings.

Chicago's First Fox-Hunt. From the New York Herald.]

The dismal failure of Chicago's first fox hunt proves that the Windy City needs a few lessons in Anglomania as she is practised. The fact that the fox was killed 24 hours before the hunt lies at the root of the trouble. The painful thought that nobody but a butcher was in at the death shed a depressing influence over the gallant horsemen as they met to chase the deceased over eight miles of Illinois mud. What they need in Chicago is a real, live anise-seed Bhymes well with clam and ram and tam, es the death shed a depressing influence over the gallant horsemen as they met to chase the dethey need in Chicago is a real, live anise-seed bag. A stiff scent is required, not a sent stiff.

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS. Mrs. Lealie's Ambition

-During the last year the sum total of

-A bill has been introduced in the Kan

sas Legislature appropriating money for drill-ing four deep holes in the ground "to see what can be found." -An exchange says that in the factories

possessor of a musket, presented to him by Captain Bill Sands, and which the latter claims was found in the waters of Flushing Bay dur-ing the War of 1812.

once called on an unituely farmer, who had lost a pair of valuable horses, and tried to console him by quoting the Scriptural account of Job's afflictions. But the farmer refused to be comforted. "Job," he said, never owned so good a pair of horses as my Dick and Corey was." -E. M. Goodall and a friend arrived at

-Quoddy Head, Me., is the easternmos

-A man fishing off Beacon Hill, in Hritish Columbia, was attacked by an octopus (devil fish) 20 feet in length. The fish fastened itself to the boat, retaining its hold of the rocks beneath, and aimost succeeded in upsetting the boat: A large hook thrown out caught in the fish, which made off, snapping the stout line like a silken thread.

-Mrs. E. Parks, who lives near Bangor, Cal., wanted to cross the flume of the Forbestown Ditch Company, going from her place to the residence of her daughter near by. As she could not jump she placed a board over the ditch and started across. On the second step the board broke and she was precipitated into the water, which was running very rapidly. She was carried through the ditch and flume down to the "dump," about three-quarters of a mile distant. Remarkable to relate, she escaped without injury. -A marriage of a somewhat romantic na-

ler, a resident of Pennsylvania, met by agree-ment, neither having before seen the other, the acquaintance having grown out of an adveracquaintance having grown out of an adver-tisement in a matrimonial paper. The court-ship and engagement were conducted entirely by correspondence. The lady, by agreement, was to wear a broad white ribbon he had sent her as the insignia by which he was to know her. They met on the street, he introduced himself and at once a marriage license was pro-curred and the knot was tied. At 3 o'clock they boarded a train en route for their Western home, where the bridegroom owns a farm.

does not want her spoiled by endless attention. Since the crops have been gathered the cow has been running in the fields, and the brush of her tail got filled with cockle burra. One morning last week the lady went into the pen to milk, and, while she was performing the duty, the cow switched her tail into the neatly done-up hair on the lady's head. The burrs caught, and the lady dropped her pail of milk and began to entangle her hair. The occupation disturbed the cow and she began to prance. The lady grabbed the tail with both hands and said: "So weach! so wrench!" but the wench not liking the grip started in a trot around the pen. The lady startled the household by her shrieks, and a negro woman ran to her rescue, but had to return to the house for a pair of soissors. The cow was driven into a stall, her tail trimmed off and left sticking to the lady's head. She went to the house, and it took her husband, the negro woman, and the family until 30 o'clock that night to pick the burrs from her head.

—At one of the meetings of the British

adopted by the mighty builders of the Valley of the Nile was admitted to be a vexed question. The supposition is that the lifting power was applied from below, the stone being raised by a tilting process. One end of the stone would first of all be raised from the ground by means of powerful levers, which might be of considerable length and worked by a large number of men. After getting the stone to the proper height, a slab of stone or metal could be inserted, and a similar process adopted with the other end of the stone. So, by alternately working at either end, a certain height might be attained. Then, by the use of wedges and rollers, the stone might be got into position. Another method suggested was by means of slightly inclined planes formed of strong timber work or even masoury, working the stones up on rollers by leverage applied behind. There does not seem to be any suggestion of any direct lifting power applied from above. The question is certainly one involved in considerable obscurity.

Lament of Mrs. Winks,-Mr. Winks

Fond Mother (proudly)-Yes, Johnnie, won the reading prize in school, Coms here, Johnnie, and tell Mrs. Brown how you won the prize. Johnny-Oh, I took it hands down. Billy Waffles

house a warning was hung, "Cave Canem" -b

The dealer deals at put and call;
The dude he dudles, that is all.
-- Washington Critic.

"We not's the price of the carriages."
"Ten dollars if we have to drive slow; if we can drive fast we can make it only \$5."
"Well. I don't want you to drive too fast. Say, you might trot to the grave and run your horses home."—The Epoch.

home."—The Epoch.

St. Paul's Change of Base.—Philadelphian—I see it stated that a high official in Minnesota wants the lee palace festival soolished because it scarce away immigrants.

St. Paul Man—That's so: gives folks a notion our climate is cold, you know. Next winter we're going to make a change. We're going to erect a beautiful thiness marcale with a locale tax.

"But those things will freeze."
"No they won't. We'll heat 'em with under ground steam-pipes."—Philadsiphia Record.

He sends the Weather Burean word: "Say, Greely, how is this?"

The ground hog smiles a childlike smile,

Melbourne, Fla., the other day in a 32-foot craft of eight feet beam, after a run of 1,160 miles as sea from Sanford, Me. The boat is a novel combination, as it can be run either as a kerosene launch or a sloop-rig yacht. This is the smallest craft that has ever made the run from Maine to Florida.

westermost, Foint Darrows the northermost and Key West the most southern. Taking these points as the basis for work, it is found that the geographical center of the United States is about 270 miles west of San Francisco, in the Pacific Ocean.

-Mrs. E. Parks, who lives near Bangor,

"Yes'm, but it is in oil, you know, and—"
"Oh, yes. I did not think of that. What an
awful monopoly that Standard Oil Company is!"
—Boston Transcript.